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PRODUCTION OF CHILLI
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of chilli in the country this year, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of production procured by the Union Government, State-wise;

(c) the price fixed for fine variety and ordinary variety;

(d) whether the chilli growers in the country particularly Andhra Pradesh have launched an agitation for increase in the procurement quantity; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The total statewise production of chilli in the country during this year is annexed.

(b)&(c): The total Quantity of Red Chilli procured by AP Markfed is 26,969 MT in the State of Andhra Pradesh under Central Sector Scheme on `Market Intervention`. The prices fixed by the Government for procurement of Chilli in Andhra Pradesh are:

- 2700/- quintal for premium quality
- 2500/- quintal for common quality.

(d)&(e): No authentic report has been received on agitation of farmers of Andhra Pradesh and also no proposal from Govt. of Andhra Pradesh received to increase the quantity of chilli for procurement.

ANNEXURE

STATE-WISE AREA AND PRODUCTION OF CHILLI

(Area : `000 hectares Production : `000 tonnes)

State	Area	Production
Andhra Pradesh	224.9	493.6
Arunachal Pradesh	1.5	2.1
Assam	14.7	9.6
Bihar	3.6	3.6
Chhatisgarh	5.8	1.5
Gujarat	14.00	12.00
Haryana	1.7	1.7
Jammu & Kashmir	0.9	0.9
Karnataka	197.2	167.00
Kerala	0.2	0.2
Madya Pradesh	42.7	19.5
Maharashtra	106.8	58.7
Manipur	7.5	4.5
Meghalaya	1.8	1.2
Mizoram	1.5	2.1
Nagaland	0.2	8.00
Orissa	70.00	59.2
Punjab	3.4	5.3

Rajasthan	32.4	48.7
Tamil Nadu	66.7	40.5
Tripura	1.6	2.2
Uttar Pradesh	19.1	14.5
West Bengal	17.00	13.5
All India	835.2	970.1